

Proposed Bill No. 675

January Session, 2007

LCO No. 2346

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by: SEN. PRAGUE, 19th Dist.

AN ACT LIMITING THE ADMISSION OF PERSONS WITH PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITIES TO NURSING HOMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 368v of the general statutes be amended to prohibit a
- 2 nursing home from admitting any person who a physician concludes
- 3 has a psychiatric disability, unless the patient is assessed by a
- 4 psychiatrist and the nursing home determines that it is capable of
- 5 meeting the patient's needs.

Statement of Purpose:

To require nursing homes to evaluate the appropriateness of admitting persons with psychiatric disabilities.